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SUBJECT: SOVIET ARREARAGES

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1. PERMDEL CONTINUES SOUNDINGS OF FRIENDLY PERMDELS
RE DEPT'S PROPOSED DR FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE ON
ARREARAGES ISSUE.
2. PERMDEL WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT'S ANSWERS TO
FOLLOWING QUESTIONS RAISED BY UK DEPUTY PERMREP WHICH
MAY BE ASKED BY OTHER GENEVA GROUP MEMBERS:

(A) WOULD PROPOSED REIMBURSEMENT BE MADE
IN L975-76 BIENNIUM OR SCHEDULED OVER L0-20
YEARS?

(B) IF IMMEDIATE REIMBURSEMENT FROM
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SPECIAL ACCOUNT PROPOSED, WOULD THIS BE MET

BY INCREASED ASSESSMENTS?

(C) WOULD REIMBURSEMENTS ENTAIL DEBIT IN ORGANIZATION'S CASH FLOW OR OTHERWISE OBLIGE SECRETARIAT TO REQUEST INCREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL FUND.

(D) IN ADDITION, REIMBURSEMENT WOULD APPEAR TO ENTAIL COMPLICATED CALCULATIONS AS TO EXACT PERCENTAGES DUE EACH MEMBER STATE ON BASE OF DIFFERING RATES OF ASSESSMENTS FOR INDIVIDUAL STATES OVER JAN '61 - OCT '71 TIME FRAME.

3. WITHOUT REFERRING TO PROPOSED DR DELOFF ELICITED FOLLOWING FROM CHAKOUR, OFFICE OF FINANCIAL CONTROLLER RE CURRENT STATUS ARREARAGES:

(A) IN CONTRAST WITH FIGURES GIVEN REFTEL ARREARAGES DEBITED UNDER RESOLUTION L7C L5.32 TO SPECIAL ACCOUNT ACCORDING CHAKOUR WERE:

CHINA	644,877
BYELORUSSIA	48,633
UKRAINE	L9L,884
USSR	1,442,102

(B) OF ABOVE TOTAL OF \$2,327,496 THE AMOUNT OF \$L,065,687 IN SURPLUSES FROM 1971-72 BIENNIUM HAS BEEN PAID INTO SPECIAL ACCOUNT. FURTHER SURPLUS FROM SAME PERIOD REPRESENTING OBLIGAD BUT UNSPENT FALLOUT, MAY BE ABOUT \$400,000 HICH WILL REDUCE OUT-STANDING DEFICIT TO ABOUT \$860,000.

(C) 18TH GEN CONF WILL HAVE TO CONSIDER HOW TO DEAL WITH THIS REMAINDER (\$860,000). POSSIBILITIES INCLUDE DECISION TO CREDIT FUND FROM 1973-74 BIENNUM SURPLUSES, IF THERE ARE ANY, AND REIMBURSE MEMBER STATES AS PER FINANCIAL REGULATIONS 4.3 AND 4.4.

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4. PERMREP WILL CIRCULATE COPIES OF DEPT'S DR AT GENEVA GROUP MEETING MAY 3. WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS CONTAINED PARA 2.

5. RE POLITICAL ASPECTS, IT NOTEWORTHY THAT INITIAL REACTION OF UK DEPUTY PERMREP (BIRRELL) WAS THAT PROPOSED DR RISKS "REOPEN ING OLD WOUNDS" AND TOUCHING OFF SHARP CONFRONTATION WITH SOVIETS AND

CHINESE. BIRRELL OBSERVED THIS PROSPECT MAY DETER
OTHER DELS FROM WISHING TO BECOME INVOLVED.
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